IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Bowers, James R.

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Manual Purge System for

Instrumentation Flow Element

Tubing

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.101 (C) and MPEP 708.02, applicant in the above captioned case petitions the Examiner to advance this application (included herewith) in the order of examination based upon the applicant's age, currently being older than 65 years old as attested to in the enclosed Declaration.

Respectfully submitted.

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